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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF
THE PACIFIC HELD IN HEARST HALL, BERKELEY,
ON JULY 11, 1914, AT 8:00 P. M.

By courtesy of the President of the University of California, and under arrangements perfected with Professor CHARLES H. RIEBER, Dean of the Summer Session of the university, a joint meeting of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific was held in Hearst Hall, Berkeley, on Saturday, July 11, 1914, at 8:00 P. M.

Professor R. T. CRAWFORD, of the Students' Observatory, delivered an illustrated lecture on the subject of "European Observatories" (second series). A large number of very interesting pictures was thrown on the screen, showing the positions, environment and equipment of many of the European observatories. The location of many of them, in the centers of large cities, was described as being unfavorable to seeing conditions and much inferior, in this respect, to American observatories. Notwithstanding their generally poorer location and equipment, Professor CRAWFORD described them as places of great charm and historical interest, more particularly because of their association with the names of men who have become immortal thru their work in astronomical science.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL
SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, HELD IN HEARST HALL,
BERKELEY, ON JULY 11, 1914, AT 7:15 P. M.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed.

The attention of the Board was directed by President CRAWFORD to the movement which has been set on foot, within the past few months, to merge the Pacific Association of Scientific Societies (of which the Astronomical Society of the Pacific is a constituent member) into a Pacific Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. The following communication from Professor J. N. BOWMAN, secretary of the Pacific Association, was read:—

PACIFIC ASSOCIATION OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

SEATTLE, May 26th, 1914.

MR. D. S. RICHARDSON,
Secretary Astronomical Society of the Pacific.

My Dear Mr. Richardson:

I enclose herewith a constitution for the proposed merging with the American Association into a Pacific Division. I commend it to your society for its action. The note will, I hope, explain still further. Any questions that may come to mind put to Prof. TOWNLEY, who was on the constitutional committee and who was present at the executive committee last Saturday.